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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the phone conversation of January 15, 2008 with the Examiner Counts and the Office Action of January 25, 2008, Applicants request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.